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Our File No. 1322/9

Sir:

Please find enclosed the following:

- A U.S. utility patent application for EDGE DEVICE AND METHOD FOR INTERCONNECTING SS7 SIGNALING POINTS (SPs) USING EDGE DEVICE (36 pages);
- Twelve (12) sheets of drawings;
- 3. Unexecuted Declaration (Form PTO/SB/01, 3 pages);
- 4. Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form (Form PTO/SB/05) (2 pages);
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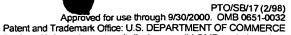
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